



"The Capital City of the Palm Beaches"

August 25, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Two years ago, Comcast moved its Florida headquarters to our city of West Palm Beach and solidified its long-standing commitment to our community. Along with adding more than 150 new jobs to our economy, they sparked new enterprise and energy in our business sector and renewed their role as an engaged community partner and catalyst. It is our hope that the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction is approved by the Federal Communications Commission so that other communities may experience similar benefits.

Initiatives like Comcast Cares Day, the company's national day of service, have left a valuable legacy in our city's neighborhoods and helped invigorate areas in need of revitalization. This year's event mobilized more than 700 volunteers and community groups to beautify the Progressive Northwest Neighborhood. In 2013, the work of hundreds of Comcast employees at the nonprofit Center for Creative Education enabled the organization to move into a new facility in Northwood and continue its work of incorporating the arts into local classroom education. At Coleman Park, Salvation Army Northwest Community Center, Hispanic Human Resources Council, and other sites in the City of West Palm Beach, Comcast employees and community volunteers have provided free broadband services, established computer labs, painted, landscaped, planted gardens, and made other facility upgrades.

As a result of Comcast's major financial investments and the hands-on involvement of its employees, Comcast Cares Day has added value, empowered residents and community groups, galvanized neighbors, uplifted spirits, and improved our community. In recognition of these contributions, Comcast was presented the Key to the City of West Palm Beach.

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Before becoming Mayor of the City, I was a school administrator and educator; a perspective that gives me deep appreciation of Comcast's leadership in promoting digital literacy and expanding opportunities for those in our city who are most in need.

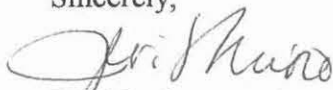
The City of West Palm Beach, in conjunction with the Urban League of Palm Beach County and the Palm Beach County Schools, was a founding partner in the launch of the Digital Connectors program funded by Comcast. Now in its fifth year, this comprehensive course teaches leadership and personal development skills, as well as hard skills like software programming and media production, to a new cadre of teens each year. The teens then "pay it forward" by teaching seniors, neighbors, family, and others in their urban communities how to use computers. Digital Connectors leaves these young people well prepared for jobs in technology and ready for the daily challenges in a professional career.

I am extremely proud to say that our city is an anchor partner in Comcast's Gold Medal Digital Learning Zone, an outgrowth of Comcast's Internet Essentials program. Internet Essentials connects low-income families to the digital world through affordable home service and provides free training on using the Internet and computers. Comcast is funding the Digital Learning Zone and convening partners that will share best practices and expand the availability of free computer lab sites, computer courses, and computer-based training in West Palm Beach, including Salvation Army, Boys & Girls Clubs, Urban League and the City.

In all of its initiatives, Comcast is a partner that goes the extra step in its community collaboration and inclusiveness. Its work with the Urban League of Palm Beach County, for instance, has been superb. In addition to supporting many joint digital literacy initiatives, Comcast sponsors a group of inner city students each year in the affiliate's National Achievers Society. Every graduate has gone on to higher education, many in Ivy League institutions. In March, Comcast helped sponsor the Women's Foundation of Palm Beach County's "Raise the Bar" event to support women and girls in leadership. In conjunction with the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County and the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Comcast founded the Mayor's Literacy Luncheon. Next month will be the fourth year that Comcast sponsors this initiative to educate municipal leaders about the importance of literacy in our cities. . . These are just a sampling of Comcast's support for worthy activities in the community.

Being home to a regional office for a leading broadband and video company has truly enhanced West Palm Beach. Comcast has built lasting partnerships in our community with business, education and nonprofit entities. I'm eager to see Comcast's continued innovation here, and I support the extension of Comcast services and community partnerships elsewhere in the country so that others may also benefit. For that reason I urge you to please approve the proposed transaction.

Sincerely,



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